

Application No. 09/748,713
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The listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application:

Listing of Claims:

Claims 1 – 7 (Cancelled).

8. (Currently Amended) A portable device for treating soiled fabric, comprising

a) — at least one chamber[[;]]

— b) — wherein at least one chamber is capable of containing a cleaning solution[[;]] and wherein at least one chamber has having a surface comprising an outlet for receiving fabric covering only a localized area of the fabric, the opening being operative to dispense the cleaning solution onto the fabric only at the localized area; and

a second element consisting of either a second chamber configured for application to the fabric on the opposite side from the at least one chamber, for fluid communication with the at least one chamber through the fabric only at the localized area, or an absorbent mechanism configured for application to the localized area of the fabric on the opposite side and operative to absorb the cleaning solution passing therethrough;

whereby the cleaning solution is transferred from the at least one chamber to the second element through the localized area of the fabric.

9 (Previously Amended) The device of Claim 8, wherein the at least one chamber is made of metallic materials, synthetic materials, natural materials, blends and combinations thereof.

10. (Previously Amended) The device of Claim 8, wherein the cleaning solution comprises at least one from the group comprising organic solvents, surfactants, detergents, enzymes, bleaches, fabric brighteners, blends and combinations thereof.

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11. (Previously Amended) The device of Claim 10, wherein the solvent is selected from alcohols, acetone, ether, benzene, toluene, THF, petroleum spirit, blends and combinations thereof.

12. (Previously Amended) The device of Claim 10, wherein the surfactant is selected from anionic surfactants, cationic surfactants, non-ionic surfactants, blends, and combinations thereof.

13. (Previously Amended) The device of Claim 10, wherein the surfactant is selected from synthetic surfactants, natural surfactants, combinations, and blends thereof.

14. (Previously Amended) The device of Claim 10, wherein the enzyme is selected from proteinases, aminopeptidases, carboxypeptidases, lipases, Dnases, Rnases, blends and combinations thereof.

15. (Previously Amended) The device of Claim 10, wherein the bleach is selected from chlorinated compounds, peroxides, reducing agents, color brighteners, blends and combinations thereof.

16. (Previously Amended) The device of Claim 8, wherein the at least one chamber further comprises a flat outlet with a minimum area of 0.03 cm².

Claims 17 – 20 (Cancelled).